

CLAIMS

1. Protective cover (1) for a comforter, comprising a bottom face (1A) and a top face (1B), which form a flexible, woven fabric envelope. The inventive cover is characterized by the fact that it is in the form of a single-piece envelope comprising an edge (2A) which is at least partly closed in a permanent manner and three edges (2B, 2C, 2D) which are provided with fast opening and closing means (3, 4, 5A, 5B) allowing the two faces (1A, 1B) of the envelope to be partly separated in order for the comforter to be placed on one (1A) of said faces (1A, 1B) of the envelope, whereupon the comforter is covered by the other face (1B) and at least the two edges (2B, 2D) of said faces (1A, 1B) are joined by means of fast opening and closing systems (3),

characterized in that top face (1B) of the cover is provided, in two of its corners bordering the foot edge (2C) of said face (1B) with a pocket generally triangular in shape (5B). This pocket forms a flap to contain the corner bordering the foot edge (2C) of bottom face (1A) of the cover and to constitute an at least partial closing device (2C) for foot edge of the cover of the said faces (1A, 1B).

2. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to claim 1, characterized in that each face (1A, 1B) of the cover (1) is provided on its foot edge (2C) of the cover (1) with a flap (4) that can be folded under the mattress to secure the comforter cover and comforter in place.

3. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to claim 2, characterized in that the cover (1) is reversible, each face (1A, 1B) of the cover being provided in its two corners bordering foot edge (2C) of the cover (1) with a pocket generally triangular in shape (5A, 5B).

4. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the pocket (5A, 5B) attached to one face (1A, 1B) of the cover (1) is made of the material constituting the other face of the cover (1).

5. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that where each pocket (5A, 5B) is constituted of a triangular piece attached to a face (1A, 1B) of the cover (1), one of the edges of said piece is attached to the foot edge

(2C) of said face of the cover, the other edge of said piece is attached to the side edge (2B, 2D) of said face and inserted between the fast closing device (3) and the wall of said face so as not to interfere with the operation of said closing device (3).

6. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that permanently closed edge (2A) of the cover (1) comprises the head edge of said cover (1)

7. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that the side edges (2B, 2D) of the cover (1) connecting head edge (2A) and foot edge (2C) of the cover are provided with a zipper (3) concealed by at least one flap overlapping onto the top face of the envelope when said faces (1A, 1B) are in the assembled position.

8. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 7, characterized in that one of the faces (1A, 1B) of the cover is provided on the inner side, in two of its corners bordering the foot edge (2C) of the cover, with an additional pocket (6) generally triangular in shape into which the foot edge of the comforter is inserted.

9. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the top face or respectively the bottom face of the cover is provided on the inside in a predetermined location with a self-gripping closing device. This closing device is positioned to work with an additional closing device positioned on the comforter.

AMENDED CLAIMS (ARTICLE 19)

Originals claims 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8 and 9 replaced by the amended claims with the same number; 4 and 6 are not amended.

1. Protective cover (1) for a comforter, comprising a bottom face (1A) and a top face (1B), which form a flexible, woven fabric envelope. The inventive cover is characterized by the fact that it is in the form of a single-piece envelope comprising an edge (2A) which is at least partly closed in a permanent manner and three edges (2B, 2C, 2D) which are provided with fast opening and closing means (3, 4, 5A, 5B) allowing the two faces (1A, 1B) of the envelope to be partly separated in order for the comforter to be placed on one (1A) of said faces (1A, 1B) of the envelope, whereupon the comforter is covered by the other face (1B) and the three edges (2B, 2C, 2D) of said faces (1A, 1B) are joined by means of fast opening and closing systems (3, 4, 5A, 5B),

characterized in that top face (1B) of the cover is provided, in two of its corners bordering the openable foot edge (2C) of said top face (1B) with a triangular pocket (5B). This pocket (5B) forms a flap to contain the corner bordering the openable foot edge (2C) of bottom face (1A) of the cover and said fast opening and closing systems (3, 4, 5A, 5B) comprising this pocket (5B) for the at least partial closure of openable foot edge (2C) of the cover of said faces (1A, 1B).

2. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to claim 1, characterized in that each face (1A, 1B) of the cover (1) is provided on its openable foot edge (2C) of the cover (1) with a flap (4) that can be folded under the mattress to secure the comforter cover and comforter in place.

3. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to claim 2, characterized in that the cover (1) is reversible, each face (1A, 1B) of the cover being provided in its two corners bordering openable foot edge (2C) of the cover (1) with a triangular pocket (5A, 5B).

4. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the pocket (5A, 5B) attached to one face (1A, 1B) of the cover (1) is made of the material constituting the other face of the cover (1).

5. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that where each pocket (5A, 5B) is constituted of a triangular piece attached to a face (1A, 1B) of the cover (1), one of the edges of said piece is attached to the openable foot edge (2C) of said face of the cover, the other edge of said piece is attached to the side edge (2B, 2D) of said face and inserted between the fast closing device (3) and the wall of said face so as not to interfere with the operation of said closing device (3).

6. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that permanently closed edge 2A of the cover (1) comprises the head edge of said cover (1)

7. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 6, characterized in that the side edges (2B, 2D) of the cover (1) connecting head edge (2A) and openable foot edge (2C) of the cover are provided with a zipper (3) concealed by at least one flap overlapping onto the top face of the envelope when said faces (1A, 1B) are in the assembled position.

8. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 7, characterized in that one of the faces (1A, 1B) of the cover is provided on the inner side, in two of its corners bordering the openable foot edge (2C) of the cover, with an additional triangular pocket into which the foot edge of the comforter is inserted.

9. Protective cover (1) for a comforter according to any one of claims 1 to 8, characterized in that the top face or respectively the bottom face of the cover is provided on the inside in a predetermined location with a self-gripping closing device. This closing device is positioned to work with an additional closing device positioned on the comforter.